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SUBJECT: SPANISH BASE NEGOTIATIONS

1. WE WISH TO CALL TO THE DEPT'S ATTENTION A SEPT 22 REPORT FROM COMMANDER OF NAVAL ACTIVITIES AT ROTA (COMNAVACTS P221759Z SEP 75), OF WHICH A COPY HAS GONE TO CNO. THIS MESSAGE REPORTS THE TEXT OF A LETTER FROM THE SPANISH BASE COMMANDER AT ROTA, DATED SEPT 20, STATING THAT ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM HIS SUPERIORS, ALL AUTHORIZATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION WHICH HAS NOT COMMENCED BY SEPT 26 ARE CANCELLED, AND THAT NO NEW CONSTRUCTION IS TO TAKE PLACE AFTER THAT DATE WITHIN THE US FACILITIES. AUTHORIZATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION MAY ONLY BE DISCUSSED AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE PRESENT BASE NEGOTIATION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT WHICH THESE NEGOTIATIONS PRODUCE.

2. COMNAVACTS' MESSAGE STATES THAT THE MOST SIGNIFICANT IMPACT OF THIS MEASURE ON THE US FACILITIES AT ROTA WILL BE THAT ASSOCIATED WITH SUPPORT FACILITIES FOR THE PLANNED EXTENDED RETROFIT PROGRAM FOR SSBN'S. (NO FORN).

3. NO SUCH PROHIBITION HAS YET BEEN RECEIVED BY AIR FORCE AUTHORITIES HERE IN CONNECTION WITH EITHER TORREJON, ZARAGOZA OR MORON.
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